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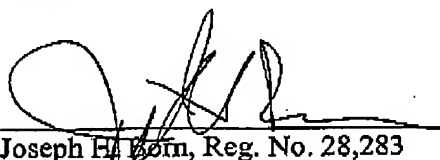
REMARKS

By the foregoing amendments, Applicant has canceled rejected claims 1-5, 7, 13, and 16-20, rewritten claims 10, 11, 14, and 15 in independent form, amended claims 6, 8, and 12 to depend on claims 15, 11, and 10, respectively, and provided the limitations of claim 12 in new claims 21, 22, and 22, which respectively depend on newly independent claims 11, 14, and 15. After the amendment, claims 6, 8-11, 14, 15, and 21-23 remain.

Additionally, the accompanying replacement drawing sheets differ from the drawing sheets originally filed in that reference numerals and figure numbers are now written more neatly.

Since the Examiner has indicated that claims 10, 11, 14, and 15 would be allowable if they were rewritten in independent form and the foregoing amendment do so and make all other remaining claims depend directly or indirectly on the newly independent claims, these amendments place the application for allowance. They are therefore of the type for which Rule 116 was intended, and Applicant therefore requests their entry and allowance of the application.

Respectfully submitted,



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